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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: **YAMAMOTO, Shusuke et al.**

Group Art Unit: 3679

Serial No.: 09/688,837

Examiner: **FERGUSON, Michael P.**

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For. **PIN CONNECTION STRUCTURE AND METHOD OF CONNECTING  
MEMBERS BY PIN**

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Date: December 28, 2004

Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated June 30, 2004 for three months, from September 30, 2004 to December 30, 2004.

Attached please find a check in the amount of \$1,020.00 to cover the cost of the extension for a large entity. In the event that any additional fees are due in connection with this paper, please charge our Deposit Account No. 01-2340.

Respectfully submitted,

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